



**PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
FLORENCE ELY NELSON DESERT PARK
8950 E. PINNACLE PEAK ROAD
SCOTTSDALE, AZ
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2012**

SUMMARY MINUTES

PRESENT: Harry Schlegelmilch, Vice Chair
Jeanne Alspaugh, Commissioner
David Brown, Commissioner
Virginia Harris, Commissioner
Anne Wurth, Commissioner

ABSENT: Stan Koczka, Chair
Michael Seiden, Commissioner

STAFF: Jan Cameron, Parks, Recreation and Human Services Director
Jona Davis, Recreation Supervisor,
Denise Clayton, Assistant Recreation Coordinator
Scott Anderson, Parks and Recreation Supervisor

Call to Order

Vice Chair Schlegelmilch called the meeting of the Parks and Recreation Commission to order at 5:01 p.m.

Roll Call

A formal roll call noted the presence of a quorum.

Public Comment

No members of the public wished to comment.

Moment of Silence

The Commission observed a moment of silence.

1. Approval of the Minutes

a) Regular Meeting: September 19, 2012

COMMISSIONER ALSPAUGH MOVED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 19, 2012, WORK STUDY SESSION AS PRESENTED. COMMISSIONER BROWN SECONDED. THE MOTION

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CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY BY A VOTE OF FIVE (5) TO ZERO (0). CHAIR KOCZKA AND COMMISSIONER SEIDEN WERE ABSENT.

2. Introduction of New Parks and Recreation Commissioner

Vice Chair Schlegelmilch welcomed Virginia Harris to the Parks and Recreation Commission. He noted that Michael Seiden was also appointed to the Commission but was unable to attend the October meeting.

3. Scottsdale Sports Complex Racin' at the Basin 5k Running Series Update/Evaluation

Jona Davis, Recreation Supervisor, reviewed highlights of the 5k running series at the Scottsdale Sports Complex. Races were held on the third Saturdays in June, July, and August, and the series generated \$7,800 in revenue. Participants came from all parts of the Valley. Ms. Davis described some of the challenges encountered and explained how staff intends to address them. Securing an event sponsor would make it possible to offer more amenities without increasing prices. Survey responses will be used to guide future improvements. Suggestions include differentiating prizes for various age groups, and offering pre-registration discounts. Staff is implementing measures to better promote the series. The goal is to limit events to about 300 runners.

Commissioners asked questions and submitted comments.

4. Wildlife/Waterfowl Public Education Program and Event Update

Scott Anderson, Parks and Recreation Supervisor, briefly reviewed the history of the wildlife/waterfowl education effort. Scottsdale, with input from Arizona Game and Fish, Federal Wildlife Services, and Arizona State University, enacted an ordinance prohibiting the feeding of wildlife. Incidents have decreased since the initiative started. Recent media exposure has helped spread the word, and another informational blitz at the start of the busy season is being considered. Mr. Anderson reviewed the remaining project timeline, and noted that the city anticipates receiving a grant to help mitigate human/wildlife conflicts.

Commissioners asked questions and submitted comments.

7. Commissioner Report

Commissioners noted upcoming and recent events at McCormick Ranch, and discussed the healthful benefits of outdoor and nature activities.

8. Director's Report of Current Events (A.R.S. § 38-431.02(K))

Jan Cameron, Parks and Recreation Director, reported that Doc Cavalliere Park won a Valley Forward Crescordia Award. She provided an update on recent presentations to the Bond Task Force. Mayor Lane is asking all commissions to consider adopting or endorsing the Principles of Civil Dialogue. The first Arizona Fall League home game is on October 10, and the Championship Game will be held at Scottsdale Stadium on November 17. Rail Fair is scheduled for October 13 and 14 at the McCormick-Stillman Railroad Park.

9. Public Comment

There were no public comments.

Adjournment

With no further business to discuss, and no need for an executive session, the meeting adjourned at 5:57 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
A/V Tronics, Inc. DBA AVTranz.

Meets established criteria,
Janice M. Cameron
Parks, Recreation and Human Services Director